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The Honorable John P. Sarbanes  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Sarbanes:

Thank you for your letter of November 9, 2010 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding your support for the draft Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).

Your expression of support for our shared goal of restoration and protection of the Chesapeake Bay as well as your suggestion that EPA develop a "Save the Chesapeake Bay Home" designation program is appreciated. We will consider your comments and suggestions as we proceed with our deliberations regarding the establishment of the final Bay TMDL.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or have your staff contact Mrs. Linda Miller, EPA's Maryland Liaison, at 215-814-2068.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Shawn M. Garvin", is positioned above the typed name.

Shawn M. Garvin  
Regional Administrator